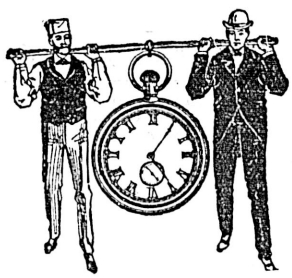


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DOMINION PARLIAMENT

Colonel Prior Asks About Chinese Employed on the D. G. S. Quadra.

From Our Own Correspondent.
Ottawa, March 29.—Mr. Wright introduced a novel bill to-day. He desires that ballot papers in elections should bear the photos of the candidates.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier told Mr. Bourassa he knew nothing of the recent gazetting of himself as an Imperial privy councillor.

Col. Prior stated he had just received a communication from the effect that Chinese were being employed on the government steamer Quadra. This was not in accordance with Mr. Fielding's intimation that instructions had been issued that while men should be preferred in all positions under control of the government.

Sir Louis Davies replied that he knew nothing about the matter, but would make inquiries.
Privates, G. Elliott, H. Fraser, W. Fraser, J. V. N. Spencer, A. A. Vernon and W. C. Winkle, of Victoria, are discharged from Strathearn's Horse.

Mr. Tassier, formerly Speaker of the Quebec legislature, will succeed the late Senator Paquet, of Quebec, in the upper house.

LI HUNG CHANG.

He Will Likely Be Foreign Minister of China.

Shanghai, March 30.—It is asserted here that Li Hung Chang will be the future foreign minister of China, replacing the abolished Tsung Li Yamen, and that Liu Kun Yi, the Nankin viceroy, will succeed him as viceroy of Chihli.

THE CAMPANIA.

Queensland, March 29.—The Cunard liner Campania, which arrived here this afternoon, experienced a wild passage, with terrific seas, on March 23. She passed the wreckage of a ship floating bottom up.

STRIKE ENDED.

Work Generally Resumed at Docks in Marseilles.

Expecting Collapse

Aquinaldo's Capture Likely to Bring About Peace in Philippines.

A Marked Increase Is Noticed In Number of Individual Surrenders.

General Trias Has Interview at Manila With His Former Chief.

Manila, March 29.—After being convinced of Aquinaldo's capture, Gen. Geronimo, the insurgent leader in the province of Morong, Luzon, has surrendered with six officers, 46 men and 50 rifles, to Col. J. Thompson, of the 24th regiment, at San Mateo. As the news of Aquinaldo's capture spread through the islands, the insurgents are becoming despondent, and there is a marked increase in the number of individual surrenders. Gen. Calles, who is outlawed on account of his atrocious crimes, has sent an emissary to Gen. Bates, who answered that he must surrender unconditionally and stand trial.

The former insurgent officers and the Aguinaldo scouts who took part in the capture of Aquinaldo, will receive a monetary reward. The amount has not been specified. It has also been recommended that every man participating in the capture of Aquinaldo receive a special medal.

When Aquinaldo was captured, he wore a plain dark blue suit with the coat closed and buttoned at the throat, a white wide helmet with a leather band. He takes his capture philosophically, and is generally cheerful, but sometimes moody. His health during the past year has been very good. Certain visitors are permitted to see Aquinaldo, but newspaper interviews with the prisoner are not allowed.

Since Aquinaldo has been domiciled at the Labacang palace, persons not provided with permits have been denied permission to the grounds.

Gen. Trias, the commander of the insurgent forces in Southern Luzon, who recently surrendered to the United States authorities, visited Aquinaldo and told the latter why he surrendered. He said that a continuance of armed opposition to the United States was unjustifiable and ruinous. The independence of the Philippines was impossible and the Filipinos had better accept liberty, prosperity and progress under American rule.

The capture of Aquinaldo following the surrender of Gen. Trias will probably occasion the surrender within a month of the insurgent leaders Malaver, in Batangas, province of Luzon; of Buarmino, in Albay, province of Luzon, and Lucban, in the island of Samar.

On arriving in these waters with the prisoner the United States gunboat Vicksburg stopped eight miles out, and in response to a signal, a launch appeared from the shore of Corregidor island and Aquinaldo was transferred. The launch steamed up the Pasig river to the wharf, at the back of the Malacanang palace, where the prisoner disembarked almost unnoticed. Some time passed before the news of Aquinaldo's capture was known. The fact that he was a prisoner caused joy and congratulation among the Americans. The native population was apathetic. There was no particular excitement anywhere.

Washington, March 29.—The disposition to be made of Aquinaldo will originate with the cabinet. The Philippines and be passed upon finally here. There is no inclination to deal harshly with him. Some of the cabinet officers think it is possible he may be used with good effect by the authorities of the Philippines commission in the establishment of a civil government. Gen. MacArthur's despatch suggesting that Aquinaldo might issue an address advising the insurgents to accept the situation, was pointed to as indicating possibilities along this line. On the other hand, Aquinaldo's record has not been such as to win for him great confidence in his constancy, and if his influence were to be utilized, he would undoubtedly be sent to some place where he can do no further trouble. Guam was mentioned as a possible place for his detention.

The president and his cabinet believe the capture of Aquinaldo will mean much in the crushing of the insurrection. Indeed, they are inclined to the belief now that it means the utter collapse of the insurrection to the authority of the United States.

GERMANY AND RUSSIA.

Emperor William Speaks of Attempts to Disturb Cordial Relations.

Berlin, March 29.—According to the Kleines Journal, Emperor William, during a toast last evening, said: "The cordial friendship between Russia and Germany. It is certainly not my fault if such attempts have temporarily proved successful." The Berliner Tageblatt, which confirms this statement, asserts that the Emperor made a second speech, when replying to a toast of himself, in which he went deeply into policy, especially the Russo-German relations, and his own relations with the chief of the Emperor Alexander, Grenadier regiment, namely, Emperor Nicolas.

In German official circles, Lord Lansdowne's statement in the British House of Lords yesterday regarding the "Marselles" controversy is considered only a play with words, England's diplomatic action on this question has heretofore been parallel with Germany's, nor does it seem that England desires to go further. The declarations of the British foreign secretary are looked on as if intended to help him over a momentary parliamentary difficulty.

From the same source of information it was ascertained that the Japanese government does not mean to undertake serious steps against Russia unless Korea should become involved.

TROUBLE IN CUBA.

A Split Threatened in the National Party.

Havana, March 29.—Senator Villand, of the constitutional convention, to-day signed the report of Senor Juan Gualberto Gomez, thus placing a majority of the committee in opposition to the principal features of the Platt amendment. A split is threatened in the national party of Havana because of a resolution against the Platt amendment. Senor Tamayo, secretary of state, resigned from the party to-day.

NO STRIKE.

Anthracite Miners Decide That Work Will Be Continued.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., March 29.—The general committee representing the miners in the anthracite district to-night issued a statement, in which they announced that there will be no strike this year. After reviewing the work done by the committee to bring about the adjustment of the miners' grievances and arrogation of their union, the statement says: "The representatives of the operators listened attentively to the presentation of our arguments and, while they would not agree to meet in general joint conference with the miners, they did agree that the notices which were posted continuing the advance in wages until April 1, 1902, and agreeing to take up and adjust with their mine employees grievances they might have, should be interpreted and construed that such grievances should be considered and adjusted with the representatives or committees of the mine workers, and they held out the hope that if during the present year the mine workers demonstrated their willingness to abstain from striking in local strikes, full and complete recognition of the organization would unquestionably be accorded at a future date. In consideration of the vast interests involved, and in view of the fact that at least a partial recognition of our organization has been secured, and with the hope that a greater degree of justice will be obtained in the near future, your committee to whom was delegated the power and authority to determine whether work should cease or continue after April 1, would respectfully recommend that work be continued."

MAJORITY REDUCED.

Ontario Government Gradually Losing Its Followers.

Toronto, March 29.—(Special)—The Ontario government's majority suffered another slump last night. On Tuesday of this week it was 10, on Wednesday it was 9, last night it was 8. On Wednesday the Liberal member for North Renfrew refused to vote with the ministry. Last night the Liberal member for Parry Sound, Beatty, went a step further and voted with the opposition. A division occurred at midnight on an amendment to a motion by the Premier to go into supply. The amendment, which was moved by Carnegie, expressed regret that the government, in order to promote settlement, had not in the free grant in unincorporated townships, disposed of pine to settlers at reasonable dues, and on lands under timber licenses had not retained all timber other than that for actual settlers. This was rejected by a vote of 39 to 31.

LAW OF ASSOCIATIONS.

French Parliament Disposes of a Troublesome Bill.

Paris, March 29.—The Law of Associations bill, one of the most important measures considered by the French parliament during the last decade, was passed last evening by the chamber of deputies by a vote of 203 to 220. The chamber adjourned to May 14.

Object to Copper Coin

Vancouver Grocers View With Alarm the Advent of the Cent.

Wholesalers and Retailers Discussing the Short Credit System and Discount.

From Our Own Correspondent.
Vancouver, March 29.—The Retail Grocers' Association met last night to discuss matters of vital importance to the trade. It was decided unanimously that those present viewed with alarm the report that copper coins were to be introduced into certain Vancouver business houses; that they would discontinue their use as an injury to business; that they would pledge themselves not to use them in any event. Those who spoke to the resolution stated that the Japanese and Chinese would welcome the advent of the copper, as it would enable them to still further cut prices to the consumer in sales of the trade, and further that the high retail prices, added to the cost of goods in the West, was another reason why the cent pieces should be barred.

It was also announced at the meeting that certain merchants who had been cutting prices in some lines of staples and had been prevailed upon to discontinue the practice, and those present congratulated themselves on the fact that the matter had been brought to the attention of the association in a manner. The question of shortened credit was not taken up at the meeting, but Mr. Foran, the secretary, kindly gave the following explanation of the matter: "The wholesalers, the wholesalers protect the trade generally by compelling merchants whose credit had become exhausted to arrange for extension of credit, as those who paid their bills promptly were placed in an unfair competition with men whose credit had really been exhausted but who were being carried along by the wholesalers."

It was also reported that a man had been carrying along by the wholesalers \$500. It would be right that he received \$1,000 credit, but credit should stop there. Let the credit be double the amount of cash, and no more. Through some misunderstanding, and the wishes of available cash, were not acted upon, or apparently understood by the wholesalers, and in reply to their petition for protection the retailers received a circular issued by the Wholesale Grocers' Association, to the effect that after March 1 bills must be paid by the 5th of the month, instead of the 15th, as formerly, to enable the wholesaler to get the 2 per cent discount, and in 60 days' time the net cost would prevail in making payments; and that bills payable after that date would be subject to 3 per cent interest. This was not considered an interest, and they are still awaiting one. In the meantime it is reported that the wholesalers are considering the advisability of compromising matters by making discount payments due on the 10th of the month, instead of the 5th; and Mr. Black, secretary of the Wholesale Grocers' Association, is at present in Victoria consulting the wholesalers regarding the matter.

Coppers have again found their way to Vancouver. They have been tendered and accepted on the street cars, while the Hudson's Bay Company's stores have marked many of their goods at prices terminating with all figures between 1 and 9 inclusive.

Discuss The Canal

London Papers on the Failure of the Hay-Pauncfote Treaty.

Saturday Review Speaks of Joint European Representations to United States.

The Spectator Does Not Object to the Canal Being Fortified.

London, March 30.—The Saturday Review, discussing the Nicaragua canal controversy in a page article, says: "There is no great hope of the United States doing anything agreeable to England, and if the United States government should persist in defiance of its pledges, in attempting to obtain exclusive control of the canal whose neutrality is of the highest importance to the whole world, there would be only one course open. The rest of the world must take steps to protect itself."

The article alludes to "American aggression," and advocates "United European representations." The Spectator, discussing the Hay-Pauncfote treaty, will say to-morrow: "We cannot help thinking that instead of contriving a very effective diplomatic score, Lord Lansdowne would be better employed in asking himself what were the essential interests of the United Kingdom. We believe the British mercantile circles demand that the canal shall be made and that when it is made, it shall be held by the Americans. We hold the Suez canal, and, except for keeping British Honduras, which, of course, we shall keep, the less we have to do with Central America the better. As long as we keep command of the sea (and unless we keep it we shall cease to count as a nation), we have no need to get in a panic over the Americans fortifying the canal. Sea power will control the canal and not land battles."

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A Question

Of Indentity

Filipino Agent in Europe Says the Wrong Mr. Aguinaldo Is Caught.

Five Natives Executed in Manila For the Murder of a Civilian.

Paris, March 29.—Regidor Jubado, who claims to be the Filipino agent in Europe, says he has received the following cablegram from New York:

"According to precise information, the man captured is not President Emilio Aguinaldo, but Aldemero Aguinaldo, chief of the general staff."

Manila, March 29.—Aguinaldo to-day conferred in the Tagalog language at Malacan palace with several former members of his cabinet and other prominent Filipinos whom he had asked to see.

"They explained to him the hopelessness of the insurgent cause, advised him to use his influence to establish peace and for the recognition of United States sovereignty. The result of the conference is as yet unknown."

The first execution in Manila under United States rule took place to-day at Fort Malate, where five natives were hanged for the murder of Archibald Wilson, an Englishman, superintendent of the waterworks. The motive for the murder was robbery.

Twelve thousand Filipinos have taken the oath of allegiance to the United States at San Vincent, South Ilocos province.

OXFORD VS. CAMBRIDGE.

Results of the Inter-University Sports at London.

London, March 29.—A good crowd gathered at the Queen's Club here this afternoon to witness the eighth inter-university track sports. The results were as follows:

100-Yards dash—A. E. Hind, Cambridge, 1st; J. Churchill, Cambridge, 2nd. Time, 10 3/5 seconds.

High jump—G. H. Smith, Cambridge, 5 feet 10 1/2 inches; W. B. Henderson, Oxford, 5 feet 7 1/2 inches, 2nd.

Half-mile run—J. P. Cleave, Oxford, 1st; J. Gilman, Cambridge, 2nd. Time, 1 minute 59 2/5 seconds.

Putting the weight—L. E. B. May, Oxford, 34 feet 9 inches, 1st; C. S. Comat, Cambridge, 34 feet 2 inches, 2nd.

120 yards hurdle race—G. R. Garnier, Oxford, 1st; E. Alcock, Cambridge, 2nd. Time, 17 seconds.

Quarter-mile flat run—L. J. Cornish, Oxford, 1st; R. M. Barclay, Cambridge, 2nd. Time, 52 4/5 seconds.

One mile run—P. G. Cockshott, Cambridge, 1st; H. W. Gregson, Cambridge, 2nd. Time, 4 minutes 24 1/2 seconds.

Hammer-throwing—Day, Oxford, 1st, 113 feet 3 inches; B. C. Harley, Cambridge, 2nd, 107 feet.

Long jump—L. J. Cornish, Oxford, 1st, 21 feet 6 1/2 inches; G. Wiles, Cambridge, 2nd, 20 feet 8 inches.

Three-mile run—J. E. Newman, Cambridge, 1st; F. H. Jervis Smith, Oxford, 2nd. Time, 14 minutes 58 seconds.

Don't start on your journey without putting a bottle of Jesse Moore "AA" in your grip.

HUNGARIAN DUEL.

One of the Participants Wounded in the Throat.

Buda Pesth, March 29.—In a duel resulting from a debate in parliament between Deputies Gabor and Rakovsky the former was wounded in the throat.

LORD SALISBURY.

Premier Is Reported to Be Suffering From Kidney Trouble.

London, March 29.—Lord Salisbury, according to the Daily Express, is suffering from a kidney affection, which is likely to incapacitate him for some time.

CABLES INTERRUPTED.

Trouble With the Wire to Taku Causes Delay.

New York, March 29.—The Commercial Cable Company has issued this notice: We are advised that the interruption of the Taku-Hankow cable will occasion delay in transmission of messages exchanged with Taku and Hankow stations beyond communication between St. Louis (Seagan) and Bathurst has been re-established.

AGUINALDO AND DEWET.

London Saturday Review Compares the Two Men.

London, March 29.—The Saturday Review will say to-morrow:

"The news of the capture of Aguinaldo may be welcome as meaning the end of a war which is still wasting life and ruining property in the Philippines; but for Aguinaldo himself, whose capture was effected by a gross act of treachery, there must be general sympathy. He gave the Americans valuable assistance in the capture of Manila, and in the previous manoeuvres he proved a faithful ally until partly owing to a change of policy in Washington and partly to a want of tact among the American generals, was suddenly broke out between the allies."

"Dewet is probably the finer general, but Aguinaldo is the finer character. Considering his antecedents, Aguinaldo has proved himself singularly humane. He has displayed, moreover, a genius for inspiring scattered tribes with his own enthusiasm for the freedom which was promised him."

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Cheques That Were Bogus

Freely Distributed Between the Hours of Five and Six O'clock Yesterday.

Storekeepers Victimized By Tacoma Man Who Is Now Under Arrest.

J. K. Dahl, alias Jim Crowe, alias S. P. Henderson, is held at the city lock-up on four charges of obtaining goods under false pretences, having been arrested by Detective Perdue within twenty minutes of the time the police were notified of his work. Dahl, or Crowe—he gave the latter name to the police—is thought to be a tailor by birth, a bogus merchant, having for some time been found on him giving information to the effect that he took advantage of the cheap rates now prevailing on the Sound steamer and blew in from Seattle or Tacoma. When it was ascertained that he had been in the city yesterday, and from five to six o'clock he passed a number of worthless checks, and with the watches, boots, overcoat, as well as the money received there, finally making out one valued at \$23, which he handed to a storekeeper.

It was at S. A. Stoddard's jewellery store on Yates street that he began operations. He looked over one valued at \$23, with a chain, and tendered a check for \$42, drawn on the Royal Bank of Canada, Victoria branch, and made payable to "S. P. Henderson, or bearer."

The Canadian Pacific Navigation Company—the name of the best steamship company being printed in red, semi-circular with a rubber stamp—counter-signed by J. O. McWilliams, accountant—the latter word, like the company's name, being stamped in red. Mr. Stoddard accepted the check and gave him \$9 in change, and then Dahl, or Crowe, passed on to Port Street and bought another watch. He was given a check for \$28, drawn on the same bank and signed and counter-signed with the same rubber stamp and signature, as that given to Mr. Stoddard, in exchange for a watch worth \$28. Mr. Dahl, though, gave no change, telling the man with the check to call in the morning for his change—but Mr. Dahl will be unable to call.

Passing on down Port Street, the man with the bogus checks came to A. A. Clayton's and bought another watch, in payment for which he gave a check for \$28. Thence on he went in his rapid rush act to Government street, and his next check was made out to H. Munday's shoe store, where he bought a pair of shoes valued at \$5, giving a check for \$14 and receiving his change. Mr. Munday at once communicated with the C. P. N. Company and was told by name that his check was bogus, and then he made for the office of Chief of Police Langley on the run. The Chief, who had a few minutes before received a telephone message from Mr. Munday, was just leaving his office as he met Mr. Munday, after despatching Sergt. Walker to investigate in regard to the check given to Mr. Munday, and going to the plainclothes division. The Chief accompanied the shoe dealer towards Government street, and Detective Perdue was met and the checks turned over to him for description.

Detective Perdue got a description of the man wanted from Mr. Munday, and taking the shoe dealer with him, they started out to look for Dahl, or Crowe, while Chief Langley went to the Royal Bank and others were on the lookout for anyone who attempted to pass suspicious ones until the police came. One of the tradesmen warned was A. A. Clayton, and he, all unsuspecting that he had not made a good deal of money out of his business, brought out one of the bogus checks for \$28. Another office nearly also produced a check when warned, Mr. Stoddard having since receiving his check telegraphed to the police to look for it, and offered it in payment to them, but it was not offered to be endorsed it, the firm had told him that endorsement was unnecessary, "for the C. P. N. Company were good."

Just twenty minutes after receiving the report, Detective Perdue, who was standing with Mr. Munday on the corner of Government and Johnson streets, met the man, who had been passing the checks, and who was identified by Mr. Munday, and he at once arrested him. The prisoner was taken to the city lock-up, where he was kept in a roomy water-proof, which is at the police station awaiting the owner, who has probably received another of the worthless checks.

When arresting him, Detective Perdue asked him if his name was Henderson, and after denouncing for a few minutes, he replied that it was, but said the checks he had passed were all right. He refused to talk further and was taken along to the police station.

When searched at the lock-up, a number of checks were found on him, all made out for different sums, amounting in all to \$172.65; some were on the local branch of the Royal Bank and others were on the Scandinavian Bank of Tacoma, and on San Francisco banks. A stamp was also found on him, which had been used to number the checks. He had \$35 in cash and papers which it was found he had taken with him. He was F. K. Dahl, and that he was a Scandinavian, by trade a tailor, of Tacoma. He had steamer checks on him dated March 23, from Tacoma, but it is believed that he came over yesterday. The police he said he had come from Seattle, where he has been a year, having previously come from Ohio. He began work here about 5 p.m. yesterday, and by 6 p.m. he was in a cell at the lock-up.

The descriptions given to the police of the man under arrest were somewhat dissimilar. One man described him as a tall man, about 5 feet 10 inches in height, slim, slight mustache and wearing a light suit with a hard hat. Another man said he had a black shabby suit, with a hard hat, and with a heavy mustache; while another man said that he wore a light suit, with a brown hat and a heavy mustache.

Kansas has never really been settled since it was first settled—Boston Transcript.

PERSONALS

Mr. Coulth of this city, who has been ill is recovering, according to a letter received by Mrs. Coulth, and will be home shortly.

ALMOST CONSUMPTION. Mr. J. J. Dodds, of Pleasant Ave., Deer Park, Ont., writes: "I have suffered in my head and throat and all over my body since last summer from a very heavy cold, which I could not get rid of. I have tried several of what are considered good remedies, but none seemed to be of any avail. I began to think that my cold was developing into consumption, as very many have to my knowledge. I then bought a box of Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine has worked a complete cure, as I am now entirely free of the cold."

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BUSINESS POINTERS

"The Colonist is the paper to advertise in," remarked Messrs. Clayton & Costin yesterday. "We started to advertise our line of bicycles a few days ago, and have sold every one we had in stock, and have ordered twice the number to be sent to us immediately." This firm has fitted up elegant showrooms on the second floor of their premises on Johnson street, and are doing a rushing business in bicycles.

Messrs. G. A. Richardson, of Yates street, announce their spring opening in drygoods, and offer a specially extensive range of blouses. In view of last year's agitation in the effect of the adoption of the shirt-waist by the lords of creation, it is well to know that Victoria is prepared for all eventualities. Messrs. Richardson can outfit every man Jack in town with a blouse, and still have a beautiful supply left for the fair sex.

Persons having claims against the estate of the late Harry Anderson, of Echo Cove, Nana River, are requested to send particulars to Hugh Davidson at No. 90 Wharf street, this city.

No suitor ultra eripidon, and there is nothing like leather when made into good boots, as James Maynard of Douglas street will demonstrate to anyone who will favor him with a call. "One dollar with us goes as far as dollars with the old fellow," is his motto.

W. T. Hardaker having returned from his European tour, once again through his business banner to the breeze at his old premises, 77 and 79 Douglas street.

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The partnership in the B. C. Renovating Co. has been dissolved, and the business will in future be carried on by L. H. Cohen at the address, No. 44 Broad street.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the reservation placed by Crown and others in the Bennett Lake and Atlin Mining Divisions of Cassiar District, notice of which was published in the British Columbia Gazette and dated 12th December, 1898, is hereby cancelled.

W. C. WELLS, Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.

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Back From Coast Ports

Queen City Brings News of Telegraph Survey for Line to Clayoquot.

Sealing Schooner Ocean Belle Fast on the Beach at Clayoquot.

Steamer Queen City, which arrived from Cape Scott and way ports on the West coast yesterday, brought news of further development on the coast, of the new telegraph wire which is to connect Victoria with the coast points as far as Clayoquot, of the catches of sealing schooners of the Victoria fleet, and of other happenings and matters which are of interest to Victorians who follow the development of the island coast. The passenger list included several prospectors and mining men. There were Philip Rowe, manager of the West Vancouver Coal company's properties at Quatsino Sound; J. Murdoch, foreman of the copper properties on the southeast of Quatsino Sound; and W. Symes, a mining expert, who has been to that district to look over the Comstock copper properties on the southeast arm of the northern Sound. R. Bucknell, a prospector, also came down from this part of the coast, where he has been looking over the rocks for prospects, and he brings down with him some sacks of ore. H. E. Newton came down from Port San Juan, where he is to establish a tourist site. At this point, where he expected the Pacific cable is to be landed, Mr. Newton not only intends to start a tourist but he will also build a wharf and breakwater. A wharf builder was taken to that point by the steamer from Alberni and he is now surveying a site for the wharf which is to be built without delay. Other passengers were Col. Hayes from Alberni, J. L. Arundell, who made the round trip to Noxka, T. L. Davis, L. Kilpatrick, R. G. Walker, J. H. Harnsworth, F. Nichols, R. G. Cook, S. J. McKay, W. Wheeler, Dr. McLean, M. L. Campbell, T. Cole, G. Benson and Mrs. Wilges.

News was brought by the steamer that work is being carried on without delay in the survey for the new telegraph line from Alberni to Clayoquot. George Smith and a party were working from Clayoquot and after reaching Kennedy Lake, they had gone around by way of Long Beach, where the Barclay Sound to survey the trail to Alberni. The line is not to go through the woods as was intended, but it will connect other points with Victoria. It will go around by way of Long Beach, where the miners recently staked black sand claims, and will go through Uchelt and Wreck Bay, and up the Alberni canal to connect with the government line, which is in operation to that point, the nearest point of communication at present with the fast-developing west coast.

News was also brought of the stranding of the sealing schooner Ocean Belle, at Clayoquot. The Ocean Belle had gone to Clayoquot and gone on the beach, where she was cleaned and was being out of the harbor against a head wind when she struck a ledge of rock just outside the harbor, and bumped over it. The captain put her on the beach again and made an examination, and being satisfied that she was not damaged to any extent, he worked her, and was starting off on his cruise, but the crew refused to proceed without a survey, and she was again put on the beach, where she was examined by Capt. Cole of the schooner Aurora. Mr. Brewster and her master, Capt. Anderson, were found that she was not much damaged, and Capt. Anderson, tried to float her again, but the schooner would not budge. She was hard and fast shore. When the Queen City touched Clayoquot on her down trip on Thursday she attempted to tow the schooner off, but after one hauler had parted, and another attempt had been made without moving the schooner an inch, the attempt was abandoned, and it is expected that the Ocean Belle will remain ashore until the high tides, about a week later, at least. She has a catch of 132 skis on board.

The schooner Umbria was at Clayoquot with 230 skis, and reported the loss of two of her Indians and a canoe a few days before. The Indians had gone out sealing and made for the beach. The Umbria, which was spoken on the 29th, with 210 skis, also lost two men, her first and second mates having taken advantage of a wind blowing on shore to run away. In a night vessel of the sealing fleet were spoken, some with low catches. The Umbria had 243 on the 29th. The Albion, a large 150 on the 18th, the Umbria 7 on the 18th, the Umbria 9 on the 9th and the Umbria 16 on the 23rd.

News of wreckage which drifted on to the coast before last trip, but which has just been reported, was brought by the Queen City. A ship's log horn, similar to those carried by sailing vessels but bearing no marks by which it might be identified, was washed ashore at Uchelt. No other wreckage was reported along the stretch of coast between here and Cape Scott.

The steamer will sail again for the coast, going as far as Ahousset on Monday.

THE TACOMA ARRIVES.

Northern Pacific liner Laus Much Freight at the Outer Wharf.

Steamer Tacoma of the Northern Pacific

arrived from Seattle yesterday.

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NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS.

Electoral Districts of Victoria City, South Victoria and Esquimalt, and the Land Districts of Rupert, Seward, Quatsino, Coast, Queen Charlotte Islands, North Saanich and part of Barclay and Clayoquot.

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the Statutes, that Revenue Tax and all taxes levied under the "Assessment Act" are now due for the year 1901. Assessed taxes are collectable at the following rates, viz:

If paid on or before the 30th day of June, 1901:

Three-fifths of one per cent on real property.

Two and one-half per cent on assessed value of wild land.

One-half of one per cent, on personal property.

On so much of the income of any person as exceeds one thousand dollars in accordance with the following classification, upon such excess the rates shall be, namely:

Class A.—On one thousand dollars, and not exceeding ten thousand dollars, one per cent, up to five thousand dollars, and two per cent, on the remainder.

Class B.—On ten thousand dollars, and not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half per cent, up to ten thousand dollars, and two and one-half per cent on the remainder.

Class C.—On twenty thousand dollars, and not exceeding forty thousand dollars, two and one-half per cent, up to twenty thousand dollars, and three per cent on the remainder.

Class D.—On all others in excess of forty thousand dollars, three per cent, up to forty thousand dollars, and three and one-half per cent on the remainder.

If paid on or after 1st July, 1901:

Four-fifths of one per cent, on real property.

Three per cent on the assessed value of wild land.

Three-fourths of one per cent, on personal property.

Upon such excess of income:

Class A.—On one thousand dollars, and not exceeding ten thousand dollars, one and one-half per cent up to five thousand dollars, and two and one-half per cent on the remainder.

Class B.—On ten thousand dollars, and not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half per cent up to ten thousand dollars, and two and one-half per cent on the remainder.

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Class D.—On all others in excess of forty thousand dollars, three and one-half per cent, up to forty thousand dollars, and four per cent on the remainder.

Revenue Tax, \$3.00 per capita (Victoria City excepted).

C. BOOTH, Assessor and Collector.

Victoria, B. C., February 28th, 1901.



NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Ironwork, Tulameen River Bridge. Sealed tenders, superscribed "Tender for Ironwork, Tulameen River Bridge," will be received by the undersigned up to and including Saturday, the 6th day of April, for supplying cast and wrought iron to be used in the construction of the above bridge.

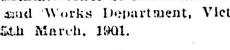
The general plan of bridge and full size details of castings may be seen at the Lands and Works office, Victoria, B. C., and at the office of the Provincial Timber Inspector, Vancouver, B. C., on and after 27th day of March, 1901.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted bank cheque or certificate of deposit made payable to the undersigned for a sum equal to ten per cent of the amount of the tender, as security for the due fulfilment of the contract, which shall be forfeited if the party tendering declines to enter into contract when called upon to do so, or if he fails to complete the work on or before the date specified in the contract.

Tenders will not be considered unless made out on the forms supplied and signed with the actual signature of the tenderer. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

W. S. GORE, Deputy Commissioner of Lands and Works.

Lands and Works Department, Victoria, B. C., 25th March, 1901.



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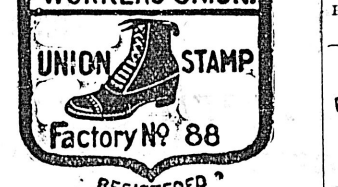
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Notice.

Pursuant to an order of the Honorable

Mr. Justice Martin, dated the 26th day

of March, 1901, notice is hereby given that

any person having or pretending to have

any title or interest in that portion of

Section 8, Range VII, of the Quinlan

District, as shown on the official map or

plan containing about five and one-half

acres, and on which the house and curtilage

of Mr. James Moors are situate and

bounded as follows: On the west from the

southwest corner of Section 8, along the

boundary line between Range VI and Range

VII, 880 links, on the south along the boundary

line between Range VII and Range VIII, 440

links, on the east along the Comox Road, 1115

links, and on the north 752 links, and which

is situated in the name of James Fleming, is

required, within 4 weeks from the 20th day of

March, 1901, to file a statement of his or

her claim with the Registrar of the Supreme

Court of British Columbia, pursuant to

the "Quiet Titles Act."

Dated this 29th day of March, 1901.

ALAN S. DUMBLETON,

Solicitor for James Moors, the Petitioner.

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TRANSPORTATION PROBLEMS.

Canada from the Atlantic to the Pacific is concerned with the transportation problem as never before. If there were any people—and there doubtless were—who thought that, when the Dominion embarked so consciously upon the construction of the Canadian Pacific railway, the problem of transportation had been solved for years to come, so far as direct government interference was concerned, they must have been more than surprised at what has taken place since and what is now occupying public attention. There is not a province or territorial district in Canada which is not deeply concerned in transportation problems. In Nova Scotia, which is almost wholly surrounded by water and no part of which is very remote from the sea, and where there are already many miles of railway, the provincial government is moving to secure additional transportation facilities, even at large cost to the provincial treasury. In New Brunswick new roads are being projected with federal and provincial aid. Prince Edward Island is not able because of its small area to afford any considerable questions of this character, but it is not wholly free from them. Quebec has transportation problems involving both water and land transit. The winter navigation of the St. Lawrence, and a great transcontinental line with Quebec as its eastern terminus, are the most prominent features, but there are many minor ones. Ontario is only on the threshold of great transportation schemes, principally, though by no means wholly, for the opening of the western part of the province. Manitoba is in the throes of a transportation question which overshadows everything else. In each of the territorial districts new railway lines are demanded. In British Columbia it is the question of the hour. People scarcely talk about anything else of a public nature.

It is natural that in a country of such great dimensions as Canada, transportation facilities must precede the development of resources. It is true of the older settled districts. It is true of the lumbering districts. It is true of the mining districts. It is true of the new agricultural districts. No matter what part of the Dominion is considered, and no matter what the special industry of the district may be transportation is the great question. Notwithstanding the great railway mileage of Canada, and the magnitude of our canal system, and notwithstanding the millions of money that have been given by the federal parliament, the local legislatures and the municipalities in aid of railways, the problem is apparently as far from solution as ever, and no one can pretend to say that the end of public aid to railways is in sight. Mr. Osler in his speech on the budget said it was about time to stop giving aid to railways. His reference seems to have been to the older provinces, but although this may be true as respects the more thickly settled parts of the provinces, it is not true of any province as a whole. The Minister of Railways took occasion since the beginning of the session to say that in his opinion railway construction in the West would have to be increased tenfold and perhaps a hundredfold; and when one takes a bird's-eye view of the vast area between the Great Lakes and the Pacific, and compares existing means of transportation with what will be needed to thoroughly develop it, he will be apt to conclude that the Minister's larger suggestion is not exaggerated.

The very large share of the cost of railways contributed by the several governments of Canada places the transportation problem in this country upon a somewhat different basis to that upon which it rests elsewhere. As a general proposition, when people ask a proposition to build railways and can give proof of their ability to do so, they ought to be given charters. It may be said that if this rule is made universal, the interests of capital already invested might be prejudicially affected. This is true, and that is why we only state the principle as a general proposition. Exceptions to its application may frequently arise, and care always ought to be taken, to see that good faith is kept with men who invest their money in such enterprises. It is also true that even where companies are undertaken wholly by private capital, a certain degree of government supervision should be exercised over the manner in which the franchise is exercised. But when companies come before parliament or the local legislatures and ask for aid out of the public treasury, a very much

closer degree of government control must be insisted upon, and greater discrimination must be shown in permitting the construction of lines. This observation is not made with reference to any particular enterprise, but is intended to apply to the whole subject of government-aided railways. It is, indeed, a question if the Minister of Railways was not introducing a correct principle when he suggested that a clause should be inserted in a bill incorporating a railway in Nova Scotia, providing for the expropriation of the line by the federal government. We do not think the time at hand when government ownership of all railways can be safely undertaken; but Canada already owns one railway, and it is a very important line. It is not improbable that this railway will be further extended, by the acquisition of lines connected with it. One might not be going too far to suggest the possibility of a government line from ocean to ocean, and it may be that such a great highway will one day afford the solution of the transportation problem of Canada. These observations cannot fail, we think, to illustrate to some extent the very important interests involved in future railway construction. We think they show that a government, whether federal or provincial, in approaching it has very many things to consider, which do not at first sight suggest themselves.

LAST NIGHT'S MEETING.

It would have been impossible to have been present at the meeting in the City Hall last night without being very profoundly impressed by it. As the Mayor said in dismissing the large audience, there was only one sentiment, and that was shared by every one in attendance, and the three representatives of the city, who appeared on the platform.

Lack of space prevents any comment upon the speeches, and we regret this because there are some things which might well be said, but they will have to be left for another occasion. We may say, however, that nothing that has yet transpired warrants any one in saying or believing that the government will take any course that will not be in every way fully satisfactory to the people of Victoria. The members of delegations should not mistake frankness for hostility, nor believe, because a public man is not skilled in the use of diplomatic phrases, that he will not reach a conclusion that can be justified to the people.

REVENUE OF A PROVINCE.

It will not be many days before the Finance Minister presents his budget to the legislature, and the proposed increase of the poll tax must shortly occupy the attention of the house. Very much is said about the burden of taxation in this province as compared with what it is in other provinces, but, as we have pointed out on previous occasions, the data for comparison are very incomplete. We give hereunder the receipts and expenditures of the province of New Brunswick for the current year, and the statement may be useful for purposes of comparison. The population of New Brunswick is about 330,000.

RECEIPTS, 1901.

Dominion subsidies	\$483,491.78
Eastern Extension claim	270,000.00
Territorial revenue	185,000.00
Fees, prov. secretary's office	10,000.00
Private and local bills	500.00
Taxes, incorporated companies	25,000.00
Succession duties	25,000.00
Queen's printer	1,000.00
Liquor licenses	21,500.00
Miscellaneous receipts	1,000.00
Re-fund from Dominion government on fishery leases	8,000.00
Total	\$1,050,491.78

EXPENDITURE, 1901.

Administration of Justice	\$ 7,325.00
Agriculture	34,250.00
Auditor General	2,300.00
Boys' Industrial Home	1,000.00
Confederations	14,000.00
Dent and Dental Institute	500.00
Education	206,404.48
Elections	3,000.00
Executive government	20,070.00
Fisheries protection	1,500.00
Fish fair, Campbellton	200.00
Free Grants Act	2,000.00
Game protection	6,000.00
Interest bonded debentures	124,000.00
Immigration	8,000.00
Legislation	20,327.00
Lunatic Asylum	61,543.76
Mining	800.00
Natural History Society	500.00
N. B. Historical Society	500.00
Protection crown lands	1,500.00
Public health	11,000.00
Public hospitals	11,000.00
Public printing	11,000.00
Public works	206,077.33
Re-fund, crown lands	300.00
Surveys and railway inspection	4,000.00
Stampage collections	3,500.00
Enforcement expenses	2,000.00
Aid to sufferers from storm	300.00
Government	500.00
Imperial Institute	500.00
Tourist Association	2,000.00
Total	\$880,421.07

MEMO.

Estimated receipts	\$1,050,491.78
Estimated expenditure	880,421.07
Balance	\$ 170,070.71

The \$270,000 received for the Eastern Extension claim is exceptional, so that the ordinary revenue of the province for the year amounts to \$769,491. This is about \$230 per head of the population. The expenditure for the year is \$2.66 per capita. Last year the revenue was a little higher, and as the outlay usually about balances the income, except when railways are subsidized, or money is borrowed for permanent eted bridges, it may be said in a general way that the disbursements of New Brunswick average about \$2.50 per head of the population. Of course if this were all there was to be said, the expenditure of British Columbia is out of all reasonable comparison than that of New Brunswick. It must be at least four times as great.

We have in this province sources of provincial revenue not available to the legislature of New Brunswick, such as Free Miners' certificates, mining receipts, real property tax, personal property tax, the wild land tax, income tax, mineral tax, revenue tax, probate fees, registry fees, Chinese head tax, and other minor items. Of these several taxes the real property tax, the personal property tax, the income tax, the revenue tax, the wild land tax, probate fees and registry fees are paid by the public, although the government does not get them. The probate fees go to the registrars of the several probate courts, the registry fees are either paid to the several county registrars in lieu of salary or go to the country municipalities. The taxes mentioned are collected either by the county, the town or the city municipalities.

Attention may also be directed to some of the items of expenditure. The grant for education is supplemented by county

and district funds. The county school funds amount to about \$110,000 a year, adding the 10 per cent. directed to be added to cover expense of collection and probable loss. There is also a district poll tax of \$1.00, which probably realizes \$90,000. Neither of these is included in the provincial revenue, nor are they taken into account in the provincial expenditure. In addition to these amounts each school district assesses itself to such an amount as it thinks necessary to supplement the aid from the provincial grant and the other sources just mentioned. The grant for public works does not represent the whole outlay on roads and bridges. Of late years there has been a tendency to throw the cost of these more and more upon the municipalities. There is no convenient way of estimating how much the municipalities tax themselves in this way.

Mention may be made of the charge for the administration of justice. Most of the cost of this is borne in New Brunswick by the municipalities. The fees to jurors are paid out of the provincial revenue, and so are the fees of the prosecuting officers, but the witness fees, the cost of keeping up the court houses, the fees to sheriffs, constables and jailers are paid by the municipalities. In civil cases a certain proportion of the jury fees is paid by suitors, and so are all the fees to the court officers. There are no officers in New Brunswick corresponding to our government agents or mining recorders.

Just at this time we think the facts mentioned herein have a direct interest to the members of the British Columbia legislature. New Brunswick is not only one of the original provinces of the Confederation, but it is one wherein municipal government in some form has been in operation for more than a century. They certainly cast some light upon the incidence and amount of taxation in British Columbia.

A correspondent asks just what he is to understand by the word "exploit," when used as a verb. This is a word that has only lately become fashionable, and as often as not it is employed in a sense not warranted by usage. Perhaps the best use of the word is that which makes it synonymous with "take advantage of"; thus, to exploit the resources of a country, to exploit a reputation for patriotism. Sometimes it is used to mean take and carry away. Thus Sir Charles Lyell speaks of the fossil ivory of Siberia as having been exploited for many years. The use of the word is broadening. It is taken from the French, in which language the verb "exploiter" has been long in common use. Some recent English writers have objected to its employment in any sense whatever, claiming that its meaning in English is altogether too indefinite to make it a welcome addition to every day language. The first edition of Webster's dictionary gives the word as one not in use.

The fact that Victoria was not mentioned in the first specification, issued by the government in connection with the terms upon which the contract for the Coast-Kootenay railway will be considered by the government, is not to be taken as indicating that there was any intention to omit this city from the scheme. On the contrary, it was expressly understood that the project contemplated connection with Victoria, and the omission was either due to oversight or because the point seemed covered by the language employed.

It is not reasonable to think that the Chinese Commission can remain in session here indefinitely, and we therefore urge that all persons who have any information in their possession that will assist in casting light upon the important question of Oriental competition should communicate with the secretary of the commission. Such an opportunity as is now at hand to show this matter up in its right light may not occur again in many years.

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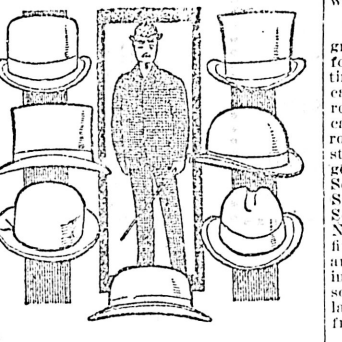
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Legislature

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Legislative Assembly, 24th Day.

Friday, March 29.

The Speaker took the chair at 2:15 p.m.

Rev. Canon Beaulieu offered prayers. Mr. Fulton rose to a question of privilege regarding a report of his remarks appearing in the Colonist. The paper said he objected to admitting reporters to committee meetings and the publication of the proceedings. What he really said was: The question had been frequently raised as to the advisability of reporters being admitted to committee meetings. He was not objecting to anything which he said or did being published, so long as his motives were not misrepresented. He also drew attention to an editorial in the Times based on the Colonist report.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Eberts, an Act to amend the Magistrates Act was introduced and read a first time.

Second reading on Monday.

PORCUPINE COMMISSION.

On motion of Mr. Clifford, seconded by Mr. Ellison, it was resolved:

That an order of the House be granted to have printed in pamphlet form the report and appendix in full, including maps, notes and documents, of Mr. Justice Martin, the special commissioner appointed under the Porcupine District Commission Act, 1900.

Mr. Clifford said the report contained a mass of very valuable information, carefully prepared, and its publication would do good in bringing the resources and capabilities of the Cassiar district to the knowledge of the public. Applause.

Mr. Martin agreed that the matter contained in the report was of great value, and he would have much pleasure in seeing it printed.

Hon. Mr. McBride pointed out that the information referred to by Mr. Clifford was contained in an appendix to the report, which had been printed. The appendix contained a great deal of interesting and valuable information and received credit on Mr. Justice Martin, who had evidently taken much pains to prepare it. He would be glad to see the appendix published and circulated. (Applause.)

CITY OF TRAIL.

The bill to accelerate the incorporation of the city of Trail was read a third time and passed.

LIMITATION OF ACTIONS.

Mr. McPhillips moved the adoption of the report of the committee of the whole on the bill to incorporate the Granby Consolidated Mining, Smelting and Power Company, Limited.

Mr. Martin moved that section 34 (the following) be struck out:

All actions or suits for damage or injury sustained by reason of the works or operation of the company shall be commenced within twelve months next after the time such injury is sustained, or if there is continuance of damage, within twelve months after the doing or committing of such damage ceases, and not afterwards, and the defendants may plead the general issue and give this act and the special matter in evidence.

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Mr. McPhillips pointed out that the bill had passed the private bills committee and the committee of the whole house, and he thought those committees were competent to judge of the reasonableness of the section. Such clauses were common in private acts, and he could see nothing objectionable in its being retained in the bill. There was a section should stand, that was that a person injured should give notice and bring his action within a reasonable time, good reason, founded on right, why the remedy, one year.

Hon. Mr. Eberts called attention to a similar clause in an act passed while Mr. Martin was attorney-general. Why did he allow it, if he considered it a hardship? The same clause might be found in acts passed at every session. The general law, providing four years for the beginning of actions, applied to a special class of cases. The section objected to was one found in acts passed by legislatures in every British country.

Mr. Helmecken advocated the retention of the clause.

Mr. Brown said he did not see why this company should be granted special privileges.

Mr. Pooley considered the clause should remain. The framers of the general act had evidently overlooked the prevailing English act (Lord Denning's) and neglected to limit the time for actions for personal injuries to one year. The wisdom of limiting the time for this class of actions was a well recognized principle in English law, as it was considered that the facts surrounding the cases often escaped the memories of the parties concerned, and it was a wise provision to limit the time to one year. Mr. Pooley cited precedents and enlarged on the subject at some length, concluding by urging the retention of the clause.

Mr. Curtis argued for the striking out of the clause.

Mr. Martin's motion was then defeated on the following division:

Yeas: Messrs. Kidd, Hall, McPhillips, Helmecken, Fulton, Dunbar, Eberts, A. W. Smith, Ellison, Clifford, Tisdale, Fulton, Wells, Pooley, Murphy, Rogers, Hunter, Taylor, Dickie, Mounce—20.

Nays: Messrs. McInnes, Stables, E. C. Smith, Hawthorthwaite, Neil, Brown, Martin, Curtis, Gordon—9.

The bill as reported from committee of the whole was then adopted and read a third time.

BILLS REPORTED.

The report of the committee of the whole on the Chilkat and Klahini Railways bill was adopted, a motion by Mr. Martin to adjourn the debate being voted down. Third reading was fixed for next sitting.

The bill to incorporate the Board of Trustees of the Presbyterian Church of Canada was reported from the committee of the whole and adopted. Third reading on Monday.

The report on the Lake Bennett Railway bill was adopted.

The report on the Midway and Vernon Railway bill was adopted with the following new section added, moved by Mr. Ellison:

The construction of said railway shall be begun at Vernon and shall be carried on from Vernon towards Midway. The main line of said railway, or a branch thereof, shall be built to Kelowna, upon Okanagan Lake.

QUEEN CHARLOTTE ISLANDS RAILWAY.

The consideration of the Queen Charlotte Islands bill was resumed in committee of the whole. Mr. Green in the chair. The bill gives power to construct a narrow gauge railway from Reynolds Sound, Graham Island, to Skidegate Harbor, and from any point on the line to any point on Massett Inlet. The bill was reported complete with amendments. On motion of Mr. Clifford, it was resolved to consider the report at next sitting of the house.

GRAND FORKS BY-LAWS.

Mr. Helmecken moved the second reading of the Grand Forks City By-Laws Validation bill, which he explained was intended to remove all doubts as to the validity of certain by-laws. The second reading was concurred in.

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Provincial Legislature

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CROW'S NEST SOUTHERN RAILWAY.

Mr. E. C. Smith moved the second reading of the Crow's Nest Southern Railway bill. He said it was a source of great gratification to see railways required where only a few years ago the river and pack trail were the only channels of communication. He referred to the great mineral resources of the district to be tapped by the proposed railway, and while the possible output of the precious metals and coal was said by some to be as yet problematical, he felt convinced that the future of that great district was assured, only needing railway facilities to make it an immediate certainty. The promoters of the railway asked no bonus and no land grant; they only wanted permission to build the road. They proposed spending over \$1,000,000 on the development of their property.

The bill was then read a second time. Mr. Houston rose to speak, and protested against the speaker putting the question in the first instance. Mr. Speaker explained that the question was only put three times when a debate was on.

Mr. Houston said if he was out of order he would sit down, but he thought it was sharp practice. (Laughter.)

OTHER SECOND READINGS.

Mr. Helmecken moved the second reading of the Crawford Bay Railway Company bill, which was concurred in.

Mr. Helmecken moved the second reading of the Vancouver and Grand Forks Railway Company's bill, which was agreed to.

Mr. Clifford, in the absence of Mr. Garden, moved the second reading of the Coast-Kootenay Railway Company bill, which was concurred in.

The Arrowhead and Kootenay Railway Company's bill was read a second time on motion of Mr. Helmecken.

COMMON AND CAPE SCOTT RAILWAY.

In moving the second reading of the Comox and Cape Scott Railway bill, Mr. Hunter said the country had reached the eve of an active and feverish railway era. From all parts of the province came a cry for railways, and he was glad to see the government and the house unanimous in the opinion that these railways were necessary and that means must be taken to provide them. The bill which he had in charge contemplated the construction of a railway through one of the most picturesque, grandest and richest districts of the province. Its mineral, agricultural and timber resources were second to none, and a railway would make them accessible to development. Twenty-three years ago he had been commissioned by the Dominion government to make a report on the agricultural resources of Vancouver Island. He had made the report under difficulties, as he was not adequately equipped, the Indians were far from friendly, and held the party as prisoners for some days, but he was enabled to report to the government that there were 131,000 acres north of Alberni fit for cultivation; enough to support a population of 30,000 people. (Applause.)

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"Whereas the demand for these ores by smelters in the United States has almost ceased, and the capacity of the smelters now operating in British Columbia is totally inadequate to treat the output of these mines, some of which have already lessened their output and others have closed down on account of this difficulty; and

"Whereas no means of refining bullion exists to-day in Canada, thereby necessitating the shipment to United States refineries of the lead product of Canadian smelters, and a much higher rate for refining lead than formerly is now being demanded by the American Smelting & Refining Co.; and

"Whereas there is no tendency observable to increase the smelting capacity in the districts now suffering, while the danger of having to pay excessive rates for refining continues to threaten the relief it now so urgently stands in need of;

"Therefore be it resolved, That this house, being of the opinion that the establishment of a lead refinery in an accessible position in the province of British Columbia is the surest and best way of fostering and encouraging the lead mining industry of British Columbia, and that a bounty for five years of \$5 per ton on the lead, the product of such mines, smelted and refined in British Columbia, would be of great assistance to establish this new industry, would respectfully request the government of this province to take this matter into their serious consideration.

"Be it further resolved, That if a bounty be granted, the provincial government should retain the power of interfering in case more than fair and profitable rates were charged."

Mr. Helmecken will also move a similar resolution addressed to the Dominion government.

Mr. Oliver, on Thursday next, will ask the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works: (1) Was Mr. Hill, C. E., employed to make a survey in connection with proposed government work on Salmon river flats, Langley municipality? (2) Did Mr. Hill make a second additional survey for the purpose of the said proposed work? (3) If so, why was such additional survey necessary? (4) What was the cost of the second additional survey? (5) What was the total cost of these surveys?

SESSIONAL NOTES.

F. W. Hodson, Dominion Live Stock Commissioner, appeared before the agricultural committee of the Legislative Assembly this morning, and gave evidence concerning the value of co-operation when applied to agricultural effort. The first question taken up and dealt with at length, was the benefit to be derived from a thoroughly organized local farmer's institute system. Mr. Hodson explained how institutes are conducted in various States of the American Union and in various Provinces of Canada. In his address he pointed out the great growth in institute work which had taken place during the last ten years.

Referring to the Central Farmer's Institute he pointed out that local associations were likely to do much more good for the money spent, than could be accomplished through a central institute. Nevertheless in some provinces, because of their peculiar conditions, it may be necessary to maintain a central institute. This may be the case in this province. Provincial Live Stock Associations were also dealt with by Mr. Hodson. He instanced the Province of Ontario, where these associations were particularly strong, and showed that the work of the government and the efforts of the people were greatly assisted by these organizations.

The establishment of experimental unions were next taken up. This is an association of farmers, where individual members act under the advice and control of a board of directors, test various methods of farming, kinds of seed and plants and fruit trees in each section of the province. The work is done as before stated under the supervision of a board of directors, all of whom are practical men. The work is done practically, without cost to the country.

The question of railroad rates was next discussed. Mr. Hodson pointed out that within the last seven years through the efforts of officers of Farmers' Institutes and Live Stock Associations of the Province of Ontario, the railroad rates on pure bred live stock for breeding purposes had been greatly reduced, in fact to-day these rates are less than half what they were seven years ago. Other important questions were taken up, of which space forbids fuller mention at present.

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J. D. PRENTICE,
Provincial Secretary.

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City of Vernon, on the 15th day of May, 1901.

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The City's Representatives Are
Called Upon to Oppose
the C. P. R.

An overflowing hall at the public meeting last evening showed the keen interest Victorians are taking in the railway matters which are at present agitating the country.

Mayor Hayward took the chair and called the meeting to order at 8:10. He read the resolution which had been passed at the council meeting, authorizing the calling of the meeting. Aldermen Yates, Cameron and Beckwith had been appointed to arrange the preliminaries. He asked Messrs. Anderson, Howse and Murphy, of Princeton, and any others who wished to speak or move resolutions, to take seats on the platform beside him. Among those present on the platform were Messrs. Helmecken, Hall and McPhillips.

Ald. Yates was called on to explain the reason of calling this second meeting so soon after the other in the theatre. He wished to say he had nothing to do with Mr. Bodwell or any one of his company, in calling the meeting. He had considered the situation so serious that he had talked with other aldermen, and they agreed on the advisability of calling a meeting. The reasons he gave that the policy of the government was not what the citizens of Victoria wanted it to be. First, he said, he took his cue from the remarks of Mr. McPhillips at the other public meeting. He thought Mr. McPhillips deserved the thanks of the people for sounding a warning note. As a supporter of the government he must have known what the policy of the government was, and if that had been in favor of this independent line, Mr. McPhillips would have, as a supporter of the government, favored it. Second, the delegation which the meeting sent had asked for the road to be built by an independent company. Third, he took it from what the government had announced to that delegation as their policy that they did not favor an independent line. The Attorney-General, in speaking, said the government would assist a company to build a Coast-Kootenay road, and that they would also assist a ferry, but carefully avoided saying where that ferry would land. He said the government was not to be taken in by the policy of the government to develop the riches of the Island by railway extension. The Premier had said the government was anxious to make the best bargain they could for the people. He had also said that the policy of giving away the public wealth would cease, and he thought when a recipient of so much of the people's property said what the people should know must be some truth in it. Ald. Yates said the city of Victoria would be side-tracked if the C. P. R. were to build the road and the ferry and connect at Ladysmith with the railway to the north end of the Island. He stated how he had drawn a map similar to that he showed at the meeting, and had asked a merchant to put it in his window. The latter had refused on the ground that he did not want to offend the C. P. R. He also got business from the government, and did not wish to quarrel with his bread and butter. He did not wish this meeting to be considered a political meeting.

Mr. Yates then told of another merchant who had been one of the delegation which waited on the government, and he had been so impressed with the idea of the government that he had rented his place of business, and called cutting down his orders for goods to one half. The speaker then read and elaborated the programme they had prepared for the meeting. He said it was the idea to pass a resolution supporting a bonus to an independent line of railway. The members had never yet had a mandate from the people on this question of an independent line, as it was not before the people at the time of the election. He would give the govern-

ment the credit to say that their policy, so far as it had been elucidated, was in the right direction, although they had not yet told the people enough about it. He said the first question to be put to the citizens was a unit in desiring and demanding an independent line. He recalled how at the public meeting last week in the theatre, when Mayor Hayward for a standing vote on the resolution for an independent road, the whole audience rose, showing that the citizens were unanimous in demanding an independent line. What he meant by that was a line with which the C. P. R. had no connection, by a delegation which waited on the government was not advocating the V. V. & E. or any other company. They merely wanted the contract entered into should land the company to the government. The C. P. R. could never have any connection with it. The Premier had said the government was there to do the best for the province, which they agreed with. Ald. Brydson referred to the delegation of twenty or more from the upper country, which had come down to advocate an independent line. With one accord they had voiced the cry, "No C. P. R.," and the Premier had said to them, as they were coming down, "What do you want?" They seemed to be there for the V. V. & E. He read from some extracts from Eastern papers, on the question of railway monopoly. He spoke of the Premier's statement that he would build two lines of railway combining and putting rates as high as they liked. He asked if that had been true in the Kootenay, where the Great Northern had been built. He asked the Premier to be true to the whole country. He asked what that railway had ever done for Victoria.

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Whereas, the answer of the government to the deputations of the citizens of Victoria, regarding the Coast-Kootenay railway, was inadequate:

Be it resolved, that this meeting of the citizens of Victoria records its conviction that it is essential in the interests of the city that the said railway should be constructed and operated by a company which is independent of the Canadian Pacific Railway company.

He described the effect of the building of the C. P. R. in Victoria. He said in a prosperous condition before the C. P. R. was built. Now the blue mould of decay was seen everywhere; the moss was growing on the roofs, and the fungus hung from the eaves. He had asked a gentleman the other day why they didn't knock the fungus off the front eaves of their houses. "You must be a stranger here," was the reply; "that is not fungus, but part of the tentacles of that great octopus which holds this city and country in its grasp." (Laughter and cheers.)

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Mr. Dunsinuir, and knew that they could not control its members. Now, none of these facts are denied, but Mr. Dunsinuir says the C. P. R. inference is incorrect, that they cannot control him, notwithstanding his business relations with them. He ought to thank me for giving him the opportunity to put himself on record. I accept his statement, in its entirety, and I call upon him to fulfill this solemn obligation which he has entered into, when he says he will make the best bargain he can for the country. (Cheers.) He must know now that any dealing with the C. P. R. will be the worst bargain; that any other bargain on work such as positive disaster as to allow the C. P. R. to build the road on any terms. He must know that that company can make an offer to build the road without any bonus, for they are by all means erecting a large and rich territory into a mere serve to be exploited at their discretion, and for the benefit of the C. P. R. only. (Cheers.) He must know that to allow the C. P. R. to build the road even without a bonus is to close up every avenue of competition, and to turn the people of this province over to bondage, from which they can never emancipate themselves, except at a tremendous cost and after a most bitter struggle. (Cheers.) He talks of government control. He already has that under the V. V. & E. charter. If he gives the subsidy to that road, he gets competition in building that road, and the result will be a most bitter struggle, for he allows the C. P. R. to build, he gives up the benefit of competition, and accepts a much smaller measure of government control, since the C. P. R. are not under the same restrictions as the V. V. & E. (Cheers.)

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late. It was of vital interest to them all. To the men who had invested their money here he said it was their interest to see that the road should be built. Speaking of the conditions which the government had submitted, asking for tenders on this subsidy. He did not think any one would tender under the conditions laid down. He was in communication with his people and he could not say what their decision would be. He considered there were terms that were too restrictive. Again the submission of tenders at all, was an unfair competition for the C. P. R. could afford to give terms without any bonus at all. He ventured, he said, at risk of being called down by Mr. Speaker, to tell them that he had written to the government and said his company was prepared to accept the terms. If, however, the C. P. R. were to be treated with also, what was the use of treating for terms. The first thing that was necessary for the government to make its mind for the people of any character made up its mind not to deal with the C. P. R. in this matter. He explained the status of the company's charter, which he said under the Dominion charter, had still been in force. Of course, the provincial charter of part of the road had lapsed, but that did not affect the powers of the company to build the road. He also referred to the power of the company under the Dominion charter, to unite with the C. P. R., and stated that while this clause was in the charter, it was in every charter granted by the Dominion parliament. His company was ready to hold every protection against the use of that power in its contract with the province. (Applause.)

Mr. John Percy, in moving the second resolution, spoke briefly on the advantages of building an independent road. He was willing for the government to make an error of that kind, so, in giving the V. V. & E. or any other road than the C. P. R. the subsidy. The C. P. R. were quite right to working for themselves, but that should not be the case for people from trying to make the best bargain for the country by securing a competing road. He was sure that 95 per cent of the people of the city were opposed to the bonus going to the C. P. R. He had much pleasure in moving the following resolution:

Be it resolved that the representatives of Victoria in the Legislative Assembly, be and are hereby instructed that the essential interests of the city demand that the said representatives give their unequalled attention to the grant of any charter authorizing the construction of the Coast-Kootenay railway, to any company controlled by, or connected with the Canadian Pacific Railway company, and that they shall insist upon the granting during the present session of the Legislative Assembly of the necessary subsidies to enable a railway line to be constructed by a company which shall be independent of the Canadian Pacific Railway, and which shall afford a competing transportation line from the coast to the Boundary, the Kootenays and Eastern points, and be it resolved unless the said representatives gave their unequalled attention to the grant of any charter with the terms of this resolution, that they resign their seats in the Legislative Assembly.

After the applause with which the resolution was received had subsided, the speaker, in closing, said the resolution was an important and serious one, and he had carefully considered it before taking it. He said the question the people were dealing with was also a serious one, and the result of the decision would show the people of whom he had the greatest respect, that they were in earnest.

Ex-Ald. P. C. MacGregor seconded the motion, in doing so he contended as he felt it was voting the sentiments of the people. He hoped they would never have to ask the members to resign. The government could talk all they liked about regulating the wages of the colored people, but there was no regulation like competition. The delay of the government in bringing down their railway policy had affected business adversely in Victoria. The city was going ahead and should not be stopped by this delay of action.

The resolution was carried unanimously. Mr. A. E. McPhillips, M. P., in answer to calls from the meeting, took the platform. He said the resolution was put before the meeting with an object, and he presumed that object was to secure the greatest good for the province. It should be remembered that the four members of the city could not do anything without assistance. The meeting a perfect right to pass such a resolution as had just been carried, but it remained for him to determine whether they should carry on the terms of the resolution. He had refused to commit himself at the last meeting, as the resolution then proposed committed him to one company. The present motion was more elastic, and he was not now so sure that Mr. Bodwell's company was the only one. Mr. Bodwell: What other company is there?

Mr. McPhillips: Please let me conclude. Continuing, he said he was glad that the resolution did not confine them to the V. V. & E. company. He would be only too pleased if the bonus went to the V. V. & E., as that company had been harshly

treated by the Semlin government. That was the issue at the last election, the people proclaiming against the treatment that had been meted out to that company. Perhaps the country would get a competing line if Mr. Bodwell's company was dealt with, but the government could not be compelled to deal with them alone. He believed it to be in the best interests of the province that the road should be built and that it should be built by a company independent of the C. P. R. (Loud applause.)

Ald. Yates.—Will you pledge yourself to that?

Mr. McPhillips.—I will do all I can to bring it about. In conclusion he said that he did not want the people to think that he valued his seat sufficiently, great as he had a falling out in conclusion, the speaker said he would carry out the wishes expressed in the resolution. (Applause.)

Mr. Hall, M. P., reiterated his pledge of a previous meeting to work for a competing road. All his interests were here, he said, and he was not going to let it pass without a competing line. As to Mr. McPhillips, he knew him to be of the same opinion, and he had not been, they would have had a falling out in conclusion, the speaker said he would carry out the wishes expressed in the resolution. (Applause.)

Mr. Helmecken, M. P., said he would stand by what he had said at the last meeting. The people had declared themselves in favor of a competing line and to secure this had passed the ferry bylaw, which, by the way, had passed its second reading in the house. The members had heard the voice of the people, and were prepared to abide by it. (Applause.)

Mayor Hayward congratulated the meeting on the unanimity and the fact that the people and the members were in accord on this question.

After a vote of thanks to the chairman the meeting adjourned.

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To the Editor:
Sir.—At yesterday's session of the royal commission there were one or two points that might have been brought out more clearly.
Commissioner Foley asked if cheap labor had a tendency to develop the resources of a country, or if it was that in Japan, which is now developing rapidly, wages were on the increase instead of decreasing?

In regard to this point it may be stated that as a demand for anything (including labor) increases the price always goes higher. If there is more demand than formerly for labor in Japan there would naturally be an increase in the rate of wages.
The continued exodus of the Japanese laboring classes from their own country must also have a tendency to raise the rate of wages of those who remain in Japan.
The commissioner also refers to the fact that the manufacture of cotton cloth is now carried on extensively in the Southern States, and that wages have as a consequence risen considerably in that part of the United States. This is another instance of increased demand and consequently of increased prices of the article, which in this case the labor of the colored people. South who have increased rapidly in numbers since the war while until recently there has been little employment for factory hands in the South. As factories increase the wages of the workmen and workwomen will increase, and all other labor will receive a higher rate of wage. This is always a decided advantage to any country, when the earnings of laborers are spent within the district where the wages are earned. It is quite a different matter when nearly all the earnings are sent out of the country. It would probably astonish the commissioner to know how many thousand dollars are sent to China from British Columbia each year. The post office could throw some light on this point and the commissioner should not fail to look into the matter. While I am writing on this subject I would like to say that from my observations of the Chinese laborers it would in many instances be money in the pocket of employers to pay white workers the same rate of pay to Chinese. Many of the Orientals appear to have made a study of "how to put in the most time, in doing the smallest amount of work."

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